

Preliminary Amendment sent D c. 19, 2003
New Divisional of USSN 10/105,644
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The application is amended to cancel the claims of the originally-filed parent application that are drawn to non-elected groups and to insert in the specification the proper cross-reference to related applications and to conform to the format for the specification to the present rules. A substitute Specification and Abstract is enclosed.

In the Action for parental patent application U.S. Serial No. 10/105,644, the claims were divided into three groups:

Group I:	Claims 1 to 8 and 13 to 15;
Group II:	Claims 9 to 12 and 16 and 17; and
Group III:	Claims 18 to 20.

Claim Group II (Claims 9 to 12 and 16 and 17) is hereby elected for continued prosecution and examination in the present divisional patent application. In the present amendment, Claims 1-8, 13-15, and 18-20 are canceled.

New dependent Claims 21 to 27 are presented to clarify the claim scope covered in this divisional patent application for the presently-elected embodiment of the invention. Support for these amendments lies in the claims originally filed (e.g. claims 2, 3, 7, and 8) and throughout the specification. The disclosure teaches and enables the conversion of molecules from Claim Group I to those of the presently considered Claim Group II. Thus, no new matter has been added through this amendment.

Claims 10 and 17 were amended due to the new presentation of new claims having intermediate claim scope. Support for these dependent claim also lies in the originally-filed claims (e.g. 2) and throughout the specification. Thus, no new matter has been added through this amendment.

Claims 9 to 12, 16 to 17, and 21 to 27 are before the Examiner, the consideration and prosecution of which is respectfully requested.

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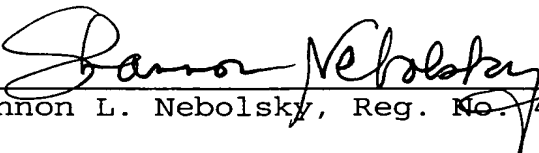
The parental patent application was filed under the old specification formatting rules. A Substitute Specification and Abstract is enclosed that incorporates the amendments requested herein and also conforms the format to the present rules. One of these changes is to delete the "Technical Field" header, while moving the substance of that header to the "Background of the Invention" section. The substance of the disclosure is identical to the parent of this divisional patent application. Thus, no new matter has been added through this amendment.

This new divisional patent application is accompanied by an Information Disclosure Statement, the consideration of which is also requested.

A filing fee is enclosed based on the number of independent and dependent claims in the application after entry of the Preliminary Amendment. No further fee or petition is believed to be necessary. However, should any further fee be needed, please charge our Deposit Account No. 23-0920, and deem this paper to be the required petition.

This application is believed to be in condition for allowance. An early notice to such effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is requested to phone the undersigned should any questions arise that can be dealt with over the phone to expedite this prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

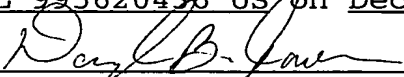

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CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING

I hereby certify that this Preliminary Amendment, together with a Utility Patent Application Transmittal and its stated enclosures, is being deposited with the U.S. Post Office in an Express Mail envelope with sufficient postage and Express Mail Label No. EL 995620436 US on December 19, 2003.



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